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Royalties safe: Redford Speeders and distracted distracted drivers bewere

Economy. Premier to host Calgary summit to brainstorm solutions to province's reliance on energy revenue

Alberta Premier Alison Redford says raising royalty rates for energy companies won't be on the table as experts gather in Calgary this weekend to hash out the provinces's financial

"I don't know what people are going to say on Saturday at the summit. I can predict what some people are going to say just based on their reputation," Redford said Tuesday.

"But we made it very clear that we think supporting our energy industry is fundamental to our future economic success.

Redford will preside over an economic summit in Calgary that is being billed as an opportunity to brainstorm solutions to the province's reliance on energy revenues ahead of the March 7 budget.

Redford said falling oil prices in the U.S. market will take a \$6-billion bite out of Alberta's bottom line next year and it's time to figure out ways to improve spending and how to get the province off the roller-coaster of volatile

"There are other things we need to do but very clearly we will not change royalties."

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Premier Alison Redford

energy revenues.

Redford's predecessor, Ed Stelmach, announced a new royalty framework in 2007 that would give Albertans their "fair share' of the resource they

However, the energy sector railed against that new regime, moving their investment dollars elsewhere. It forced the Alberta government to do an about-face on its royalty framework to lure activity back to the province.

Redford said another matter that won't be considered is the possibility of re-introducing health-care premiums.

The fees cost families about \$1,056 a year before they were eliminated four years ago. The Alberta Medical Asso-

ciation and the province have been negotiating a new deal for doctors for almost two years. Frustrated by the lack of progress, the government imposed a deal on doctors last November, but later backed off, allowing talks to continue.

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Star Wars: Episode VII

Our columnist has hope for J.J. Abram's take on the series. Here's to hoping he leaves us with some answers - before the final episode

Not-quitesummer fun

Final what? Mr. who? If you need a break, hit up one of these spring break getaways







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West Edmonton

Senior dies after being hit by alleged drunk driver in crosswalk

A 77-year-old woman is dead after being hit by a truck while in a marked crosswalk in west Edmonton Monday afternoon.

The senior, who died Monday in hospital, was crossing 156 Street and 110 Avenue, metro

16-year-old boy

Hobbema death ruled homicide

An autopsy has determined the death of a 16-year-old boy in Hob-bema on Saturday was a

Police are continuing to investigate the incident and are "encouraged by the co-operation of community members," according to a release.

St. Paul area

Teen arrested after school shooting threat

A 17-year-old boy is facing charges after a school in the St. Paul area received threats of a shooting on Monday.

The boy was arrested for uttering threats and was released on bail. RCMP aren't releasing the name of the school, **METRO**

An accident at Vista Ridge Ski Hill in Fort McMurray left a Grade 4 student ser-

According to a release

Potholes pockmark Edmonton streets

Early thaw. City road boss expects bad year; car mechanics already busy fixing cars damaged by holes

RYAN TUMILTY

At manager Bill Flynn's Integra Tire outlet on 99 Street, customers are flooding in with bent rims, flat tires and dinged suspension.

More than the indicator from any groundhog, it's a sure sign that spring is around the corner as potholes pop up all over Edmonton. "I think it's a little early

because of the spring thaws. There is always a season; usually it would start in around March," said Flynn.

City director of roadway maintenance Bob Dunford is also seeing the impact of the early thaw and is guessing the worst is yet to come.

"I think we are going to be in for a bad pothole season; that's just my prediction," he said. "I have nothing to base that on except past experi-

Dunford said the city filled

- Edmonton's record year for pothole repairs was 2007, when city crews filled 600,000.
- Metro Edmonton is tracking the city's problem potholes for an online map. Tweet us @metroedmonton or email us at edmonton@ metronews.ca with pothole locations and pictures.

5,600 potholes in January alone.

He said the city's freeze/ thaw cycles, such as last week's when the temperature went from -30 C to 3 C in just a few days, make the problem worse.

He said crews are still dealing with snow clearing in some places.

"You just have to spread your resources out a little bit more, because we are dealing with some snow issues as well," he said.

Dunford said most of the potholes will be filled later in the year and they are focusing now on emergency



Vista Ridge

Boy injured in ski hill accident

iously injured on Tuesday.

from Fort McMurray Catholic Schools, the student from St. Anne School was awaiting air transportation to Edmonton on Tuesday afternoon.

Operation 24. Cops crack down on speeders, distracted drivers

Edmonton police handed out over 1,800 tickets last weekend in an effort to crack down on speeding on the city streets.

A total of 913 tickets were given to speeders between Feb. 1 and Feb. 2, said EPS Acting Sgt. David Green, and 118 people were ticketed for distracted driving. "Speeding is a constant

problem. I personally love the argument whenever I pull someone over — 'Don't you have anything better to do?' No, honestly I don't. We want to be out there and slow some people down, because there are a lot of collisions in the city," he said Tuesday.

Green added that he's not surprised to see so many distracted driving tickets, because it's still a relatively

"The general public will attest that they see people on their cell phones all the time now. It is a huge problem.... It has caused a lot of collisions but it's an easily preventable collision. I can certainly say I have never received a text that is worth somebody else's life."

Green said police target certain areas of the city during Operation 24 hours, also known as a Big Ticket Event, after looking at areas with frequent speeding infractions or collisions. LAURIE CALLSEN/METRO

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Canadian believed to be behind Bulgarian bus bombing: Baird

Dual citizen. Suspect in July attack lived in Lebanon, but entered with Canadian passport

A Canadian "dual national" living in Lebanon is believed to be involved in the deadly bus bombing in Bulgaria last July, Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird confirmed Tuesday.

But key questions remained unanswered as Canada coped with the second allegation by a foreign gov-ernment in recent weeks that Canadians took part in terrorist attacks abroad.

"This is not a resident of Canada. It's a dual national who I am told resides in Lebanon," Baird told a news conference on Parliament

couldn't even tell you the last time this person was in Canada," he said, adding that the suspect is still at



The person entered Bulgaria with a Canadian passport and is believed to be linked to Hezbollah, the Shiite militant group and political party.

The attack killed five Israelis and their Bulgarian

Tuesday's disclosure comes as Ottawa has yet to corroborate a claim by Algeria that at least one Canadian took part in a deadly attack on a Saharan gas plant last month.

"We've had a more robust engagement with Bulgaria, and they provided more infor-mation," said Baird. "The situation in Algeria is just completely different. We don't even have a name.

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They got their answer

British lawmakers on Tuesday voted overwhelmingly in favour of a bill to legalize same-sex marriage championed by Prime Minister David Cameron, despite strong opposition from within his Conservative Party. The bill must still pass a vote in the House of Lords. DAN KITWOOD/GETTY IMA

Mexico. Six tourists raped for hours by armed gang in glitzy Acapulco resort

Six Spanish tourists were raped by a gang of armed, masked men in the Mexican resort of Acapulco, the latest chapter of violence that has tarnished the once-glamorous Pacific coast resort.

The vicious, hours-long attack occurred before dawn Monday at a house that six Spanish men, six Spanish women and a Mexican woman had rented on a quiet, idyllic stretch of beach.

The attackers gained access to the house because two of the Spaniards were in the yard and apparently forced to open the door, said Acapulco Mayor Luis Walton at a press conference late

Monday.

The five attackers burst into the house and held the group at gunpoint, he said. They tied up the six men with phone cords and bathing suit straps and then raped the six Spanish women. The Mexican woman was not raped.

The once-illustrious resort has already been battered by years of drug-gang killings and extortions, but except for very few incidents, the violence has not touched tourists.

Walton said he believed, but wasn't sure, that the assailants in Monday's attack didn't belong to a drug gang. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

in gang-rape trial A special court has begun

Testimony begins

Terrorism

U.S. freer than thought to kill

citizens abroad

An unclassified memo reveals that the Obama administration has had more lenient rules than publicly known for when drones can be launched to kill U.S.

citizens working abroad

specific attack is imminent, only that the suspect is involved in plotting.

with terrorists. The government does not need evidence that a

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India

hearing testimony in the trial of five men charged with the fatal gang rape of a young woman on a moving bus in New Delhi. Indian media reported

that one of the first to testify Tuesday was the victim's male friend, who was attacked along with her on the bus.

Harvard University

Study finds racial bias in Google ads

A Harvard University study has found that there is 'significant discrimination" in the way ads are placed in Google searches depending on whether a name is seen as white or black.

In fact, a black-identifying name was 25 per cent more likely to get a link advertising a search of their criminal record, according to author Prof. Latanya

Sweeney. One answer to the discrepancy may lie in Google's algorithms, which learn over time which ad text gets the most clicks.

'It is up to individual advertisers to decide which keywords they want to trigger their ads," a spokesperson added in an email. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Facebook

No forgiveness for unfriending: Study

Around 40 per cent of people would avoid seeing someone in real life that had unfriended them on Facebook, according to a new academic study.

The report by author Christopher Sibona, a PhD student at the University of Colorado Denver Business School, says a higher ratio of women said they would avoid contact than men METRO WORLD NEWS



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Decision day: Consumers finally get their paws on BlackBerry Z10

Retail debut. First day of sales doesn't match mania around iPhone launches, but numbers are 'quite robust'

There weren't any lineups around the block, but Canadians finally had a chance to get their hands on the new BlackBerry smartphone on Tuesday as the device went on sale across the country.

sale across the country.

The company behind the once-dominant phone joined with Rogers Communications to hold a media event in downtown Toronto, where a small number of customers who pre-ordered the BlackBerry Z10 activated their devices in front of the cameras.

About 24 people showed up at the event, Rogers spokeswoman Michelle Kelly said. But the fanfare around

But the fanfare around the first day of sales paled in comparison to Apple's iPhone launches, when sometimes hundreds of people wait outside stores to be among the first to own the latest model.

"Twelve years with the same company and I haven't switched," said Joseph Santos, a professed BlackBerry loyalist, who works as an IT manager in Toronto. "Being the head of an IT department, there was a lot of pressure to go to an Android phone. I kind of fought them off. This is my last stand here."

The BlackBerry launch comes after several delays left longtime fans either sticking with their older phones or switching to a competitor's phone.

The new BlackBerry is expected to sell for about \$150 on a three-year contract. Koodo is selling it without a contract for \$550.

Albert Lee, a spokesman for Bell, could not provide any preliminary sales statistics, but did say the number of pre-orders the company has seen for the Z10 "were higher than any other BB (BlackBerry) before."

"We're seeing intense interest today — sales are quite robust," Lee said in an email.

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Biggest customer base

U.S. debut set for next month

BlackBerry CEO Thorsten Heins, who was on hand for Tuesday's event at Rogers headquarters, said while he's disappointed the Black-Berry is not available in the U.S., its stateside debut next month will likely be helped by the earlier Canadian launch.

"Canada will be raving about the BlackBerry Z10 and consequently will influence the U.S. market," he said. Heins said the BlackBerry's launch into the U.S., the company's biggest customer base by far, is coming later because of the extensive testing required by the U.S. carriers and the regulatory process.

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Burger scandal

Irish PM gets on his high horse

Ireland's prime minister Enda Kenny says the latest finding of horsemeat in products labelled as Polish beef is harming Ireland's reputation as an exporter of high-quality meat products. Last month, DNA tests

Last month, DNA tests on dozens of beef burger brands found some contained horse as a substantial ingredient. Irish investigators claim to have pinned the problem on Polish offcuts imported to Ireland for use as filler in factorymade burger patties.

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eco safeguards, watchdog finds

Environmental audit. Resource

boom is outstripping Canada's

Canada's aggressive pursuit of resource development is exposing the country to heightened environmental and financial risks that are not being properly handled by federal regulators, a new audit says.

In his final report to Parliament after five years on the job, Scott Vaughan — Canada's commissioner of the environment and sustainable development — said government is not keeping sufficient tabs on mining in the North, offshore drilling in the Atlantic and hydraulic fracturing in hundreds of thousands of shale gas wells sprouting up across the country.

Nor are regulators equipped to deal with major oil spills or an expected 300 per cent increase in tanker traffic off the West Coast, the report states.

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Coupled with previous reports that question oversight of pipelines and the oilsands, "you end up with a portrait where there are some serious questions about the federal capacity to safeguard Canada's environment." Yaushan said

environment," Vaughan said.
"We know that there's a
boom in natural resources
in this country. I think what
we need now, given the gaps,
given the problems that we've
found, is a boom in environmental protection in this
country as well. Because these

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"There are some serious questions about the federal capacity to safeguard Canada's environment."

Scott Vaughan, Canada's commissioner of the environment and sustainable development

need to move hand in hand."

Instead, he found that in many cases, government regulators can't, or won't, figure out what they are supposed to be doing. They are reeling from dramatic changes to environmental legislation, outdated requirements, confusing lines of responsibility and large holes of missing information.

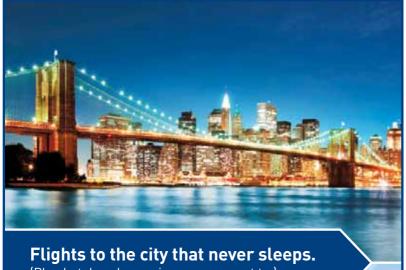
At stake, he said, is Canada's reputation as an exporter, as well as the habitat of fragile ocean ecosystems.

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Specifically, the commissioner found that the two
Atlantic offshore petroleum
boards are not ready to respond to major oil spills, despite a complex array of regulations and procedures.

The government had asked

The government had asked Vaughan to audit the offshore boards after the 2010 oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico prompted questions about how Canada would handle a similar situation. THE CANADIAN PRESS



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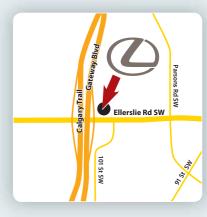


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J.J. ABRAMS IS A **NEW HOPE FOR STAR WARS**



The world is a dream and the dreamer is a guy named J.J. Abrams.

If you want proof, just about everything you watch starts in

the head of J.J. Abrams. Here's just a partial list: TV: Felicity, Alias, Lost, Fringe, Person of Interest and Revolution.

Movies: Super 8, Cloverfield, Mission Impossible, the reboot of the Star Trek franchise and now the reboot of the Star Wars franchise

Episode VII

J.J. Abrams is the Steven Spielberg AND the George Lucas of the second decade of the 21st century.

J.J. Abrams is the Steven Spielberg AND the George Lucas of the second decade of the 21st century. He's the guy who is personally responsible for keeping Luke Skywalker and Captain Kirk alive and vital.

And also keeping Hollywood alive and vital.

While other directors and producers have been over-

taken by a geriatric psychosis that causes them to produce the same Bruce Willis, Sylvester Stallone or Arnold Schwarzenegger movie over and over again to empty theatres, Abrams is busily luring the multichannel generation back into the theatre with the consummate skills of a master showman. Not-your-father's Star Trek became relevant and sexy all over again under Abrams' direction and, not incidentally, grossed \$385 million worldwide.

Disney, which paid Lucas \$4 billion for the Star Wars franchise, is betting that the force remains strong with this one, and announced recently that Abrams will direct Star Wars Episode VII, which finally picks up where Luke, Han Solo, Princess Leia and all the Wookies, Ewoks and Jedi Knights left it long, long ago and far, far away, before Lucas the evil revisionist

spoiled the whole thing with Jar Jar Binks.

If you don't think Jar Jar Binks was enough to bring down the franchise, you didn't read the reviews of his first appearance in Episode I: The Phantom Menace. One described Jar Jar as a "Rastafarian Stepin Fetchit on platform hoofs, crossed annoyingly with Butterfly McQueen."

It will be interesting to see if Jar Jar Binks survives to stumble again in Episode VII, which is scheduled to be released in 2015. Or thereabouts. Meanwhile, Abrams is keeping all those Mission Impossible and Star Trek balls in the air. Not everyone is happy that J.J. Abrams has been given the

keys to all their favourite franchises. The Twitterverse is buzzing: one tweeter alleges that J.J. Abrams' name is actually Jar Jar (for the record, it's Jeffrey Jacob) and another calls it "genre bogarting." But there is hope.

"As long as J.J. Abrams avoids Severe Blunt Force Trauma to the Head, these new Star Wars films will be WAY better than the last ones," says one fan who, you have to admit, has a way with 140 characters

Speaking of franchises, I wonder if J.J. Abrams has met J.K

The way the cookie crumbles



Impostor strikes again

Stolen cookie sculpture found on horse's neck

German police have recovered a cookie sculpture that may have been stolen by someone impersonating the Cookie Monster.

Police spokeswoman Iacobe Heers says the 20-kilogram gilded sculpture was found Tuesday morning outside the Leibniz University in Hannover, Germany.

It was hanging from the neck of a horse sculpture with a red ribbon. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Open, Sesame

'Cookie Monster' demands donations

The century-old cookie was reported stolen last month from the office of a bakery company in Hannover.

A local newspaper later received a letter demanding cookies be delivered to children at a hospital. The paper also received a picture of someone dressed like Sesame Street's Cookie Monster holding what appeared to be the stolen cookie.

The Bahlsen company promised a reward of 52,000 packets of cookies for a charitable cause if their emblem turned up. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Bahlsen appealed to the extortionists to return the stolen cookie logo on Jan. 30. Inset: A statue on the facade of the ulpture was stolen. contribu

Bahlsen already gives

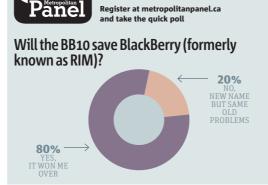
Biscuit bandit still on the lam

No suspect has been apprehended.

"I have the cookie! And you want it," the ransom note reads. "You must give all the children milk chocolate cookies on one day in February — and not dark chocolate." It's signed "Cookie Monster."

A spokesperson for the children's hospital called the prank blackmail, adding that Bahlsen already does so much for the hospital and coercion is not necessary.

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@chadohman:

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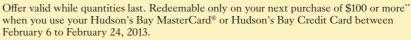
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Harvard honours Sutherland

Golden-Globe-winning actor Kiefer Sutherland has been named Man of the Year by Harvard University's Hasty Pudding Theatricals.
Sutherland will be

roasted and receive his ceremonial pudding pot at a ceremony scheduled for Friday. The 46-year-old Sutherland has been in dozens of films but is perhaps best known for his role as Jack Bauer in the television series 24. for which he won Golden Globe and Primetime Emmy awards. He is currently starring in the television show Touch. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Showtime

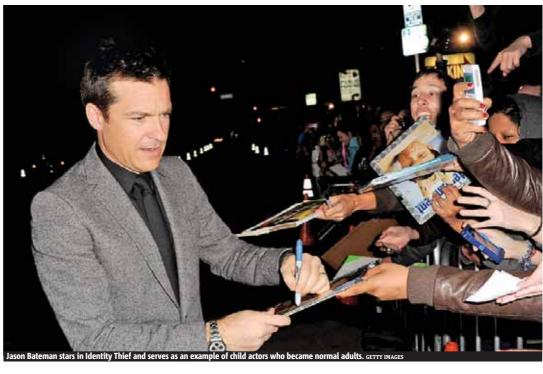
Damon to play parody of himself

Matt Damon is becoming a TV comedy regular.

Showtime said Monday that Damon will guest star next week on House of Lies. He'll play what the channel called a "maniacal megastar" version of himself

Last month, Damon staged a mock takeover of Jimmy Kimmel's ABC talk show, tying Kimmel to a chair and acting as host for a night.

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Finding an adult Identity

Child actors. A look at those, including Jason Bateman of Identity Thief, who bucked the trend and became successful adult actors



FOCUS

It's a pop culture cliché that all child actors grow up to become the subject of tragic tabloid stories. Sure, adult-hood was not kind to Gary Coleman or Jodie Sweetin (although she does earn a point or two for the title of her tellall, unSweetined), but there are dozens of kid actors who grew up to have fulfilling careers in Hollywood.

She's no Lindsay Lohan

"I don't know why people think child actresses in particular are screwed up."

Jodie Foster Talking about the perception of child actors.

Jason Bateman is one of the lucky ones who made the transition to adult roles with ease. At 12 he debuted as James Ingalls on Little House on the Prairie and, dozens of credits later, this weekend stars in Identity Thief opposite comedy it-girl Melissa Mc-

The longevity of his career is dwarfed by Jodie Foster, whose 47 years on screen have seen her do everything from Disney movies like Freaky Friday to playing an underage prostitute in Taxi Driver to winning Oscars for The Accused and The Silence of the Lambs.

"I don't know why people think child actresses in par-ticular are screwed up," she says. "I see kids everywhere who are totally bored. I've never been bored a day in my

Mickey Rooney's cameo appearance in The Muppets marked 10 decades of acting in movies. He was just a yearand-a-half old when he began performing in his parent's vaudeville act and made his first film just a few years later, playing Mickey McGuire in a series of short films. The audition breakdown requested a young boy with dark hair, so Mickey's mom rubbed burnt

cork to his scalp to colour his blonde hair.

Long before Elijah Wood donned huge hairy feet and went off in search of the magical ring in Lord of the Rings, he kept busy as a child actor in movies like Internal Affairs and Radio Flyer.

It's hard to top winning an Oscar at age 11, but Anna Paquin has gone on to distinguish herself in indie hits like The Squid and The Whale and on television in True Blood. And speaking of Oscars, one of this year's best actor nominees, Joaquin Phoenix, made his debut at age eight, appearing on an episode of Seven Brides For Seven Brothers with his brother River.

"There are kids who get on a BMX bike when they're eight and they go, 'Whoa, this is incredible' and grow up to do extreme sports," he said. "It's the same for me with acting."

Highlighting their Joy, despite their Division

New book. Peter Hook's Unknown Pleasures looks at the highs and lows of the reclusive Joy Division

HEALY

Joy Division went to great lengths to keep the public in the dark during their brief career as a band. The influential goth rock band from Manchester, U.K., trafficked

in album artwork that never featured their name, much less the faces of members, and on the rare occasions they granted interviews, their answers were usually evasive or flippant. The only thing for listeners to go on was the music, similarly dark, mysterious and cold. Bassist Peter Hook wants to change all of that with his new book, Unknown Pleasures: Inside Joy

"I was a little bit wary of debunking all the myths," admits Hook. "I just got sick of reading books about Joy Div-

ision by people who weren't there, and they always seem to focus on the dark and mysterious intensity of Joy Division, which is something that whilst I appreciate, can't say that I recognize it completely."

Unknown Pleasures is rife with demystifying tales of a young band on tour for the first time. At one point singer Ian Curtis, whose brooding image would later feature heavily into goth iconography, is giggling at glimpsing a female changing back-



METRO DISH



Bible study group newest Hollywood hotspot?

Apparently the hottest new young Hollywood hangout isn't a nightclub but a weekly bible study group — which Selena Gomez, Vanessa Hudgens and 90210 star Matt Lanter have reportedly been attending, according to Us Weekly. Gomez has even

brought ex-boyfriend Justin Bieber to the group, which meets monthly at a Beverly Hills hotel. "Justin's come in before and his mom, Pattie, is a regular," a source says. The group is reportedly organized by E! correspondent Jason Kennedy.

Wallis' puppy purses make a splash on red carpet



It's a very slow gossip day and honestly, if I have to write one more thing about the feud between Brandi Glanville and LeAnn Rimes, I'm going to pack up my things and move to Vermont where I will spend the rest of my days knitting and raising cattle and never reading another Us Weekly ever again. Or raising Budweiser Clydes-

dales. Whichever. So, today's column will be about something totally rad and worth highlighting: The awesomeness that is Oscar nominee Quvenzhané Wal-

lis' puppy purses.
Wallis owns 20 of the purses, designed by Poochie & Co., and they've been a mainstay on the red carpet for the nine-year-old actress. "That's my signature," she told Ellen DeGeneres about



and time again. And yes, expect to see one pop up (pup up?) at the Oscars. When asked by Jay Leno on The Tonight Show who she'll be taking to the awards ceremony, she held up her puppy purse and said, "This and my mom.

wood, where we force our girls to grow up much too quickly, it's nice to see a little girl act like a little girl. And carry a mass-produced purse that looks like a little dog instead of, you know, Gucci. You go, Quvenzhané



Things heating up for Leo, co-star

It looks like things are heating up between Leonardo DiCaprio and his Wolf of Wall Street co-star Margot Robbie. DiCaprio was spotted getting cosy with the 22-year-old Australian actress on the balcony of his suite at a Miami hotel before heading out to play in the surf with Jonah Hill, Lukas Haas and several other women, according to E! News. The pair did little to hide their affection for each other despite the obvious paparazzi presence.



Timberlake: No disrespect!

Justin Timberlake insists he in no way disrespected ex-girlfriend Britney Spears, despite reports to the contrary, according to Us Weekly. At Timber-lake's first live show in five years, he kicked off Cry Me a River — his breakup anthem written after his split from Spears - by telling the crowd, "Sometimes in life, you think you found the one. But then one day you find out that she is just some bitch." After the show, though, Timberlake took to Twitter to do damage control. "Wouldn't disre spect anyone personally. Ever," he tweeted.

Trump sues Maher for \$5 million

Donald Trump is suing Bill Maher for \$5 million over a charity wager, according to E! News.

Maher reportedly agreed to donate that amount to charity if Trump could prove — by producing a birth certificate — that he was not the child of an orangutan. Maher made the

offer during a visit to The Tonight Show after Trump infamously made a similar \$5 million charity donation offer to Barack Obama that was widely criticized





@ShiaLaBeouf how are you guys doing?



@JoshRadnor

Pretending like I don't like 'Peter, Paul, & Mary' is ex-



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metronews.ca Wednesday, February 6, 2013 **TRAVEL**

You've been camping out in the library studying for weeks and the thought of writing one more assignment makes you want to hurl your Easy Mac 'n Cheese. Fear not! Spring break is right around the corner, and whether you long for the beach, slopes or partying like it's ... er, 2013, here's the top five hot spots crawling with students who, like you, are willing to sacrifice a few brain cells for a week of fun.

MAE BOWRING



Daytona Beach, Fla.

White sand beaches, warm weather and partying around the clock awaits students who want to let loose. The hotels cater to budget-conscious students so you can have a week of fun in the sun without dipping too much into your student loan. Good if: You want the classic spring break

Bad if: You want to feel rested when you get

Spring break spots



Mont Tremblant, Que.

If you daydream in philosophy class about carving through fresh powder, then make your way to this popular ski city. Busloads of students will be doing the same, making the nightlife in the village a can't-miss during spring break. Think you'll break your neck on the slopes? Try dogsledding

Good if: You want to cuddle up with a ski bunny at night.

Bad if: You underdress and get frostbite.

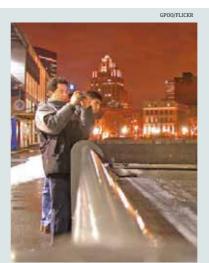


New Orleans

back.

It's a gritty city that celebrates sin. February is Mardi Gras month and depending on when you arrive, the French Quarter will be bustling with parties so wild that you'll be repeating stories of that "amazing spring break" well into your golden years. New Orleans is a safe city as long as you stick to the highly populated areas. Good if: You're into voodoo. Bad if: Parades and scantily clad women





Montreal

Students looking for more of a cosmopolitan experience will find it in the historically rich and charming streets of Montreal. It may not be 30 C and sunny, but there's literally hundreds of restaurants to cosy up in with some comfort food when you're not busy exploring an art gallery or boutique.

Good if: You're underage because the legal

Cancun, Mexico

This list would lack credibility if it didn't include the sun and booze-soaked experi-ence that is Cancun. The main strip has student-friendly hotels and the glorious weather makes lounging by the pool the obvious thing to do during the day. The exciting nightlife attracts people from all over North America and Cancun is safe for travellers. But like all party towns, it's wise to stay with your friends at all times. Good if: "Tequila" is your middle name. Bad if: You don't believe in cleanses, because your liver will need it.



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drinking age is 18.

Bad if: You hate winter.



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Where the ladies at? Try Bermuda

Island escape.

This small northern Caribbean destination is the perfect spot to leave the stress of home behind

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Sun, spa and shopping. The perfect girls getaway trifecta can be found on the island of Bermuda. Only 42 square kilometres in area, this northern Caribbean destination is a quick trip from Toronto but a long, long way from the routine of kids, work and making dinner.

Bermuda has two distinct precincts: Hamilton and St. George's. Hamilton offers up high street shopping and a wide selection of restaurants. The British influence is heavily felt throughout, including the micro Marks & Spencer store, a favourite for visitors and expats. The Fairmont Hamilton Princess is centrally located, and provides accommodation within three main lodge-style

buildings.

The two pools and hot tubs are perfectly situated for an expansive view of the Atlantic Ocean and the island itself. Poolside at the Fairmont Princess in Hamilton Bermuda is a relaxing way to unwind after touring the shops of its quaint downtown. A free ferry service is offered

to residents of the Fairmont Princess across to the Fairmont Southampton. Upon landing, the hotel's flagship restaurant, Ocean Club, has a menu that takes full advantage of the wide variety of seafood available, including the local specialty, rockfish. A trolley bus is at the ferry to meet passengers, who take a five-minute ride up the hill to the main building, home to the acclaimed Willowstream spa, a favourite for pampered

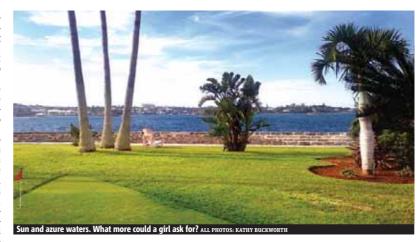
After a spa treatment, guests are welcome to slide into the outdoor hot tubs or take a swim in the indoor pool. Wait staff are more than happy to serve up nibbles and the cocktail of your choice, while you lounge in the sun and take in the vista.

Visiting the island during the Bermuda Triangle Challenge Race (run every January) brings a physical fitness element to an escape. The challenge includes the International Mile starting and finishing on the main street of Hamilton, the 10k run and walk the next dav. and a half marathon to complete the triangle.

Runners and walkers alike wind their way around the beautiful vistas and it isn't uncommon to see them stop to take pictures along the route.

On the other side of the island, the town of St. George's offers up authentic island goods in a small and easily walkable shopping district. "Random Acts of Knitting" can be found on light poles and palm trees, which add to the vibrant colours of the town, already populated with brightly painted buildings. Lunch at local favourite Wahoo's provides for a great taste of the island with a daily menu, but most often features rockfish, done in inventive sauces and styles. Segway tours are available, and the town hall is open to the public, and has a remnant from the past present, — the gallows that are still standing in the town square.

WestJet flies to St. Lucia from Toronto three times a week. For information on Fairmonts in Bermuda, visitfairmont.com/Bermuda



It's not just about the women; Bermuda is a fa-vourite of men as well, with its many golf courses and rum tastings. Gosling's Rum has been around since 1806, and offers tours to see how its famous Black Seal rum is made, and of course, tasted. This is an essential ingredient in the island's signature

drink, the "Dark and Stormy". Visit goslings-rums.com for more informa-

Turtle Hill Golf Club, conveniently located at the Fairmont Southampton, offers a challenging 18 par three hole course set amongst the natural beauty and changing

elevation of the island. Lessons are available for beginners, as well as bag storage and club rentals. For those wanting a longer game, visits to Port Royal, Riddell's Bay or Belmont Hills (all championship courses) can be organized by the hotel's Golf Concierge. fairmontgolf.com



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It's a wild, wild world Seeing the forest for the fables. Dispelling myths

The tree of life. In this time of employment uncertainty, only you can prevent a forest industry labour shortage

CASSANDRA JOWETT

If you don't know much about the forest products industry and its career opportunities, no one could blame you.

It's a sector that has flown under the radar for much of the last decade, losing as many as 70,000 jobs in the wake of a stronger Canadian dollar, changes in the global economy, the increasing prevalence of digital media, and the U.S. housing market collapse and subse-

quent recession in 2008. More recently, however, it seems as though the industry's fortunes are changing.

There is increased global demand for traditional Canadian wood and paper products, and the innovative new technologies being developed here are capturing the attention of people around the world.



The only thing holding it back now, though, is a looming talent shortage

Why the forest products industry needs you

According to a report released by the Forest Products Sector Council (FPSC) in 2011, it is estimated that more than one third of the industry's aging workforce — about 50,000 people — will leave within the next 10 years.

"It's hard to imagine that we're facing labour challenges after shedding so many jobs,

The number of young people working in the sector is at a historical low compared to the overall workforce, so it may need to hire as many as 120,000 people by the year 2020.

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About one third of forest products employers say they are already making significant efforts to target youth for recruitment into the sector, with many more sure to follow.

Beyond lumber, pulp and paper

Canada's forest products sector is carving a new path for itself that goes far beyond the traditional industry staples of lumber and paper.

"There's more effort being made by companies as well as government to accelerate transformation in the industry," Farrell says. "We currently have eight research networks with 27 universities across the coun-

Those research networks are developing products such as antibiotics and pharmaceuticals, biofuels and bioplastics, glues, enzymes and paints, artificial flavours and fertilizers all derived from Canadian wood, which is a completely renewable resource.

"This is the kind of thinking that, within 10 years, could put Canada's forest products industry in a fundamentally different place than it was before," Jim

"We're going to need a whole bunch of smart, educated people to enter the indus-

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about an evolving field

Let's face it: the forest products

sector hasn't always had the best image. After all, it's difficult to think of cutting down

trees as a good thing.
But while this industry

could have just continued

managing its bad reputation,

it has instead decided to do something major about it. Last spring, the Forest Prod-

ucts Association of Canada

(FPAC) unveiled Vision 2020,

a new industry-led vision that outlines where the forest in-

dustry sees itself by the year

2020 — powering Canada's

new economy by being green,

innovative and open to the

times, but we are shaping a

new path for our future that

is extremely appealing," says Catherine Cobden, Executive

panies today are committed to

harvesting legally, regenerat-ing harvested trees promptly,

reducing waste and recycling,

and welcoming independent

scrutiny. Less than one per cent

of Canada's total forest area is

harvested each year, and about

"We have to get over the old

Vice President of FPAC.

images of the industry."

"The industry has changed dramatically — we have gone through some really tough

Myth: The forest industry only has jobs for uneducated, unskilled workers

- Reality: These days, working in the forest industry involves more brains than brawn
- "Gone are the days of the lumberjacks throwing logs around or working in the wood room feeding wood into a mill," says Jim Farrell, Executive Director of the Forest Products Sector Council (FPSC).
- "People work in airconditioned booths with computer screens and joysticks to operate high-end technology, so it's important for them to understand how this stuff actually works."

Myth: cutting down trees to make wood products is ed annually to ensure regeneradestroying our forests Reality: forest products com-

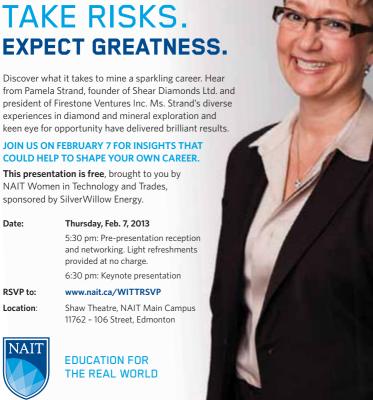
"The Canadian forest industry has more third-party certified land than anywhere else in the world by a massive margin," Cobden says. "We've fully embraced this approach of following the highest standards of sustainable forest management

CASSANDRA JOWETT, TALENTEGG.CA

says Jim Farrell, Executive Director of the FPSC, but the industry's long-standing public perception and image problems, coupled with its current demographics, mean there just aren't enough people to replace all of the baby boomers who are slated to retire. The number of young

people working in the sector is

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'A woman, Métis and a bioengineer

She's a natural.

Baillie Redfern is learning to plant the seed of health in her community and beyond

DANIELLE LORENZ

When someone thinks of the forest they're often limited to only think about the trees and the animals that live there. Baillie Redfern, a MSc student of the University of British Columbia's Genome Science and Technology program on the other hand, sees medicines.

Having grown up as a ember of the Painted member of the Painted Feather Woodland Métis Tribe in Ontario, Redfern discusses her education and how it relates to the forest products industry:

Can you tell me a little bit about what you've been studying?

I work in the field of medicinal plant genomics — specifically I work on bioproducts from balsam fir.



Coniferous trees are a rich source of metabolites that can be used to make higher value bio-products. To address the significant market demand, there is a large scientific interest in the identification of the genes and enzymes for the production of natural products with cost effective technologies.

Prior to attending UBC, I was studying biopharmaceutical science at The University of Ottawa. While studying in Ottawa I had the opportunity to work with The Cree of Eeyou Istchee (CEI), a James Bay subpopulation of the Cree Nation, which is Canada's largest Aboriginal group. The CEI possess a wealth of traditional ethnobotanical knowledge and continue to use medicinal plants today. I worked collaboratively with the elders and Cree

Health Board to investigate traditional plants to treat diabetes.

It is estimated that 20 per cent of the Aboriginal population lives with diabetes and the prevalence of Type 2 diabetes is three to five times the national average. My research focused on the safety and efficacy of trad-itional medicines for treating symptoms associated with diabetes.

"The current heath-care infrastructure views modern-western practitioners, traditional healers and naturopathic doctors in opposition of one another, when in fact they all strive to bring better health to the population."

Baillie Redfern

MSc student of the University of British Columbia's Genome Science and Technology program

Do you feel that there is a connection to your academic work and your identity as a Métis?

Yes. However, there is not a direct connection. For example, I am not investigating which trees make the best fiddles. Rather, I am defining what it means to be Métis to myself, my family, my community and the non-Aboriginal population by participating in an untraditional field of research.

I want to show everyone that Métis culture is not

dead, static or stereotypical. The Métis Peoples are diverse, strong and proud, with a history and a future. I am a woman, Métis and a bioengineer.

Where do you see yourself going after you complete

your degree? My goal is to open a health and wellness centre, which integrates modern medicine with traditional indigenous medicines. The current heath-care infrastructure views modern-western practitioners, traditional healers and naturopathic doctors in opposition of one another. when in fact they all strive to bring better health to the population. Currently, there's a deficit in the health care system, it devalues the importance of diversity of medicinal knowledge.

I want to develop a health centre that will be the standard for health services in the 21st century. The health centre will be a place where all people can get modern medical services, with informed access to traditional medicines while experiencing a culturally respectful environment.





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Salad that packs a protein punch without meat: Hearty Grain & Quinoa

ensure this unusual and refreshing salad has a main course level of protein.

- 1. Bring medium saucepan of water to a boil. Add edamame and corn. Reduce heat to medium; simmer 3 to 4 minutes. Drain; set aside to cool.
- Meanwhile, gently squeeze pouch all over to break the rice apart. Tear top corners of pouch about 1/2 inch (1 cm). Place pouch, upright, in the microwave and heat on high for 1 minute and 30 seconds. Let stand in

Caution: Pouch will be hot.

- 3. Carefully remove from microwave, holding sides. Pour into a bowl, stir and set aside to cool.
- 4. In small bowl, whisk together shallot, lemon juice, oil and pepper until combined.
- 5. Add edamame, corn, tomatoes and feta cheese to cooled rice mixture. Drizzle dressing over top; toss lightly to combine.

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Ingredients

Prep time: 15 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes

- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen eda-
- 1 cup (250 ml) frozen corn
- 1 pkg (250 g) PC Blue Menu Whole Grain Brown Rice with Lentils and Quinoa Blend
- 1 shallot, minced
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) fresh lemon juice
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) omega oil
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) freshly ground black pepper
- 1 cup (250 ml) cherry tomatoes, halved
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) drained and crumbled light feta cheese in



Tropical Peace Breeze Smoothie

Dreaming of warmer weather? Make this snack that features peaches, ginger and coconut water.

- 1 (14 oz/398 ml) can California Cling Peaches in fruit juices from concentrate
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) coconut water or plain or vanilla almond
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) Greek vanilla, honey or peach yogurt, preferably 0%
- 1 tsp (5 ml) vanilla
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) ginger
- 1/8 tsp (0.5 ml) nutmeg

Honey or agave syrup

Drain peaches, reserving 2 tbsp (30 ml) juice. Place peaches, reserved peach juice, coconut water or almond milk. vogurt, vanilla, ginger and nutmeg in a blender. Blend smooth. If you wish, sweeten with honey or agave syrup.

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Get the fiesta started with Mexican Party Potato Salad

Canned-cream-style gives this potato salad a delectable creaminess, without the usual mayo.

For added flavour, top with your choice of shredded

This salad can be made and refrigerated one day ahead. It's perfect for pot-

Prep time: 20 minutes Cook time: 10 minutes

- 3 lb (1.5 kg) Yukon Gold potatoes, scrubbed and cut in 3/4 (2 cm) cubes
- 1 can (540 ml) black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 cup (250 ml) diced red onion
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) diced sweet red pepper • 3/4 cup (175 ml) finely
- chopped green onion
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) chopped fresh coriander
- 1 can (398 ml) cream-style
- Quarter jalapeno pepper, seeded and finely chopped (optional)
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) fresh lime juice



lucks and parties.

1. Bring a large saucepan of water to a boil over medium-high heat. Add potatoes; once water re-turns to boil, reduce heat to medium. Cover and cook

for about 10 minutes or until tender. Drain: transfer to baking sheet to cool com-

2. Meanwhile, in extra large bowl combine black beans, red onion, red pepper, green onion, coriander, corn, jalapeno (if using), lime juice and salt.

3. Add cooled potatoes; toss to combine.

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Lunch. Flax-Crusted Chicken, Sweet Potato and Baby Kale Salad



- 1. Preheat oven to 425 F
- 2. Line baking sheet with parchment paper. Arrange frozen chicken on one half of baking sheet. In bowl, toss sweet potato rounds with salt and 1-1/2 tsp (7 ml) of the olive oil; arrange on other half of baking sheet. Bake in centre of oven for 30 minutes, turning chicken and sweet potato over halfway. Let cool for 5 minutes.
- 3. Meanwhile, in large bowl, toss together baby kale, toma-toes, cucumber, shallot, lemon juice and remaining 1-1/2 tbsp (22 ml) olive oil.
- 4. Slice each chicken breast into strips. Divide and arrange salad mixture, roasted

sweet potatoes and chicken among four plates. Sprinkle with pepper. NEWS CANADA/ PC.CA

- 3 pieces PC Blue Menu breaded chicken breast with
- 1 medium sweet potato peeled and cut in 1/2-inch (1 cm) rounds
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) salt
- 2 tbsp (25 ml) olive oil
- · 4 cups (1 l) baby kale
- 9 cherry tomatoes, halved • 16 thin slices English cucumber
- 1 small shallot, thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) fresh lemon
- 1/8 tsp (0.5 ml) freshly around black pepper

CFL

Veteran Rambo released by Argos

The Toronto Argonauts released wide receiver Ken-Yon Rambo on Tuesday.

Rambo signed with the Argos in August 2012 and played in only five regular-season games but did not dress during the team's playoff run and eventual Grey Cup cham-

pionship. The 34-year-old re-corded 10 catches for 124 yards during those five games with Toronto. Prior to the Argos, he

spent seven seasons with the Calgary Stampeders before the team released

him in June 2012. He helped the Stamps win the 2008 Grey Cup and was eighth on the club's all-time list for receptions (406) and receiving yards (5,995).

CFL

Alouettes acquire **RB Messam**

The Montreal Alouettes acquired running back and former CFL outstanding Canadian Jerome Messam from the Edmonton Eskimos for a sixth-round draft pick, the CFL club announced Tuesday.

The six-foot-three. 245-pound Messam was named the league's top Canadian in 2011 when he became the first nonimport to rush for more than 1,000 yards since Sean Millington in 2000. He had 1,057 yards and six touchdowns on 195 carries that season.

The Brampton, Ont., native missed half of last season in a failed bid to crack the Miami Dolphins lineup, rejoining Edmonton in late August. He had 168 yards rushing and one TD over the last nine games of the season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Oilers fight a losing battle in faceoff circle

NHL. Draws an area of weakness as displayed on Monday losing 70% to Canucks

The Oilers' weakness on faceoffs was exposed Monday night against Vancouver, and now with the loss of Shawn Horcoff and Eric Belanger -Edmonton's two best draw men — the concern has become even more immediate.

Horcoff was put on the injury reserve list Tuesday and is expected to be out at least three to four weeks to heal a broken knuckle he suffered in Monday's 3-2 overtime loss to the Canucks.

Belanger, who broke a couple of toes Saturday, could

"These kind of crises force you to get better in those areas so the kids all have to pick it up here and they all have to take it more seriously."

Oilers coach Ralph Krueger on his team and its faceoff woes.

be back by the weekend.

"I'm sure everybody saw the numbers against Vancouver," Oiler head coach Ralph Krueger said Tuesday of the Oilers losing 70 per cent of faceoffs. "It really is a difficult game when you're playing a top team and starting by puck retrieval all the

Krueger said the Oilers, who held an optional work-out Tuesday and will be home Wednesday night to the Dallas Stars, are working on faceoffs on and off the ice. even strategically, just trying to figure it out.

Horcoff and Belanger, despite their injuries, will be working with centres Sam Gagner, Ryan Nugent-Hopkins, Anton Lander and Mark Arcobello, who was called up from Oklahoma City on Tues-

Nugent-Hopkins and Gagner, the team's top two centres, had terrible nights in the faceoff circle against Vancouver and neither skated

Tuesday. One Oiler who was respectable on faceoffs was Lander, who was strong on draws in the American Hockey League but has struggled in the NHL.

"Down in the AHL I did good, but it's another league, everyone is so much better here," said the 21-year-old Swede. "I haven't been that good in the NHL. Everyone is so much better, stronger,

bigger."
But he added the Oilers have to find a way to start

plays with the puck. "That's huge, you want to start with the puck, not be chasing it. It's a big mental thing, too. Start winning a couple of draws, you get confident.... I need to step up on the draws and I know that.

February shaping up to be crucial for Oil



THE HOCKEY

With the benching of veteran defenceman Ryan Whitney, first-year coach Ralph Krueger made a statement that most of Edmonton's fans and media personalities seem to be on board with.

This is a team on the rise and poor play must be held accountable, no matter how many games the offender has already logged in the NHL Coming into the season,

Krueger said that he wanted

the Oilers to play uptempo hockey, to use those great young assets the franchise had accrued in the past few years. So far, the result has been good. Not great, but cer-

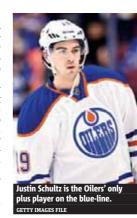
tainly in a decent place. The Oilers are scoring 2.33 goals per game so far, which puts the team in the bottom third of the league. And the firepower is coming from special teams, which is a little problematic when analyzing 5-on-5 play: Edmonton is one of only three teams yet to break double digits in even-strength goals. Florida and Nashville are the others and you know what they say

about the company you keep. But this is of course a small sample size and there are positives surrounding a team that will have to carry on for a while without captain and centre Shawn Horcoff (broken knuckle). The team's top seven scorers are comprised of the six forwards on the top two lines (Hall, Eberle, Nugent-Hopkins, Gagner, Hemsky and Yakupov, though not in that order), plus rookie defenceman Justin Schultz, who also happens to be the only plus player on the blue-line, at plus-1. Goaltender Devan Dubnyk is standing tall, even in games

that turn into losses.

Which is a long way of saying things are looking rosy for the Oilers, who must now fight through the first adver-sity of the season thanks to the Horcoff shelving.

Edmonton has a very forgiving schedule coming up with six of eight games at home and the other two against beatable teams in Columbus and a suddenly vulnerable Detroit. The Oilers also get Dallas twice and a struggling L.A. Kings squad. Edmonton is young, but they know what they have to do. February will be a crucial month for the Oilers' growth.



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2014 Sochi Games a great source of pride for Putin

Countdown to Olympics. President using event to showcase a prosperous Russia

One year before Russia hosts its first Winter Olympics, the Black Sea resort of Sochi is a vast construction site sprawling for nearly 40 kilometres along the coast and 50 kilometres up into the mountains. After arriving at Sochi's new airport, there's no escape from the clang and clatter of the drilling, jackhammering and mixing of cement that drowns out the hum of the sea and the

birdsong.
For Russia and its leader-ship, the 2014 Sochi Games is not just a major sports event but a point of national pride. President Vladimir Putin has made the Olympics his person-al project and, determined to use them to showcase a powerful and prosperous Russia, has spared no expense to make sure the games are a success.



On Thursday, Putin will be in Sochi to preside over a lavish celebration marking the one-vear countdown to the opening ceremony on Feb. 7.

"The project is under his permanent control and we enjoy the full government support," Sochi organizing committee head Dmitry Chernyshenko said. "This really is his games because he recognizes the power of these games, the greatest-ever catalyst to ac-

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celerate positive change."

The current overall price tag for the games is \$51 billion, more than four times as much as Russia estimated when it was awarded the Olympics in 2007. This would make Sochi the most expensive Olympics in history, surpassing the \$40 billion that China is believed to have splashed out for the 2008 Summer Games in Beijing. For Sochi, at least half the money is coming from state coffers, with most of the rest being put forward by state-controlled companies and Russian tycoons.

The costs are high because they include extensive infrastructure development in addition to construction of the Olympic venues, almost all of which had to be built from scratch. Most of the sports venues have already been completed or will be in the next few months, while armies of workers are busy building hotels and additional Olympic facilities, including two of the three athletes' villages and the media centre.

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Athlete to watch

Groenewoud best hope in halfpipe

Rosalind Groenewoud, a freestyle skier from Calgary, is expected to lead Canadian hopes in the women's halfpipe competi-tion, another debut event at the Sochi Games She took an interest in moguls as a youngster be-fore making the transition to freestyle. Now Groenewoud is the reigning world champion. She also won the X Games title last

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Tennis. Raonic ready to continue his rise in 2013

Milos Raonic is one of the biggest young stars on the ATP Tour and he's riding high after anchoring Canada's recent upset win over Spain in Davis Cup play.

The future is bright for the

22-year-old right-hander from Thornhill, Ont., who currently sits at a career-high No. 13 in the world rankings. His next mission is to take the necessary steps to continue his steady growth on the ATP

It won't be easy to crack that upper echelon, where the sport's elite players are rooted. The top level is filled with battle-tested veterans who are loaded with experience and seem to be a halfstep ahead of the rest.

Raonic appears well-pos-itioned to get there down the road — it seems to be just a

matter of when.
"I think I'm capable of a lot of things," Raonic said Tuesday of the season ahead. "I've set my goal to make London at the year-end (championship). That would probably put me in the top eight. So all these kind of things I look forward to.

"I've just got to work one match at a time and try to keep getting better throughout the year.

Raonic is known for his booming serve and power game. But he has worked



hard over the past few years to improve his return skills and net play.

It was a more well-rounded Raonic that clinched an upset win for Canada last weekend.

In the deciding match, Raonic kept Spain's Guillermo Garcia-Lopez on his heels and was able to dictate the pace of play. He still relied on his heavy serve, but also worked his opponent around the court and was aggressive with his vollevs.

The straight-set victory at the University of British Columbia put Canada through to the Davis Cup World Group quarter-finals for the first time. The CANADIAN PRESS

Skiing

Crash spells end to Vonn's season

The U.S. Ski Team says Lindsey Vonn has torn the ACL and MCL in her right knee and also has a broken bone after a horrific crash Tuesday at the world championships.

The team says Vonn will undergo surgery and miss the rest of this season but is expected to return in time for the 2014 Sochi Olympics.

Vonn lost balance on her right leg while landing a jump, flipped over in the air and landed on her backside as she smashed through a gate before coming to a halt.

The four-time overall World Cup winner and 2010 Olympic downhill champion received medical treatment on the slope for 12 minutes before being taken by helicopter to a hospital in Schladming. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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The 2013 Mini Paceman



By comparisor



1 LR Evoque Coupe Base price: \$62,900



Volkswagen GTI
Base price: \$30,750

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Fuel economy

The little hatchback's fuel-consumption estimate of 7.4 l/100 km in the city and 5.7 on the highway (for the base 1.6) is impressive. Note that all Paceman engines require more expensive premium fuel that offsets some of the perceived efficiency.



2013 Mini Paceman

- Type. Two-door, front-, AWDcompact hatchback
- Engine (hp). 1.6-litre DOHC I4 (121); 1.6-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (181-218)
- Transmission. Six-speed manual; six-speed automatic (opt.)
- Base price (incl. destination). \$28,550

Engine

Under the hood it's a case of if you've seen one Mini you've seen them all as the available engines are offered in all seven Mini body styles. The base Cooper's 1.6-litre four-cylinder makes 121 horsepower and 114 pound-feet of torque, while the optional turbo-charged 1.6 in the Cooper S ups those numbers to 181/177.

Design

The tough-dude front end design of the Paceman includes a grille that makes the vehicle look as though it's frowning at the world, but it surely gives it character. Other distinctive characteristics encompass teardrop-shaped tail lights and rear fenders bulge out slightly from the quarter panels.

Review. Somehow Mini found yet another niche

MALCOLM GUNN

Wheelbase Medi

They might all, literally, be Mini, but BMW's Britain-based division is expanding in a big way. The latest edition is the Paceman, which is a two-door hatchback (based on the Countryman four-door model) that arrives this spring.

Where the Countryman appears as a conservatively styled wagon, the Paceman's sportier looks hint at its more playful

nature around town, on the open road, or over rougher terrain with its available all-wheel-drive. You would think the Paceman's sloping roofline and liftgate would adversely affect stowage space.

Surprisingly, that's not the case, with the Paceman surrendering only about six per cent volume with the rear seats in place and about eight per cent when they're folded flat.

The interior includes four adjustable bucket seats — also adapted from the Countryman — that are especially attractive.

— that are especially attractive. Of course the Mini's signature round dash gauges are very much in evidence, although not quite as in-yourface as those installed in the

basic Mini Cooper or Mini Clubman. Rumour has it the next-generation Mini will adopt a more conventional layout, which would likely be a step in the right direction.

What is decidedly nonconventional is the Paceman's illuminated centre-rail floor console to which you can attach a cellphone base, cup holders, sunglasses case and other accessories. And it also comes equipped with the usual gadgets and extras.

The Paceman's unique mix of sporty style and practicality, with an available side order of rough-road ruggedness, makes it perhaps the best reason yet to consider parking a Mini in your driveway.



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A gadget-enhanced driving experience



It's a time-honoured tradition: improving and person-alizing your vehicle through

The tradition was founded, one could argue, with the Ford Model T.

"A Ford was born naked as a baby, and a flourishing industry grew up out of cor-recting its rare deficiencies and combating its fascinating diseases," wrote E.B. White of the Model T, in his famous essay, Farewell My Lovely, first published in the May 16, 1936 edition of The New Yorker.

He began his essay by lamenting the new Sears Roebuck catalogue, which by that point only had one page devoted to Model T accessories and parts. This was in contrast to the "spring times when the Ford gadget section was larger than men's clothing, almost as large as household furnish-

Of course, back in those days, a Model T gadget could be something like a rear



view mirror, a foot accelerator to replace the standard hand accelerator, or a tire patch kit. According to White, every Model T owner back then "was capable of putting on a patch, expected to, and did have to.

Now we're expected to be drinking coffee and responding to text messages

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while driving. In fact, Fiat's European division has come up with the world's first in-car espresso maker. Fiat 500L buyers in Europe can order this maker directly from Fiat. It slides into the centre console and makes nice, hot espresso whenever you want, as long as the 500L is

in park. It doesn't look like we'll get it in North Amer-ica. We still don't get a lot of the interesting and sporting vehicle and powertrain options the Europeans get now we have to add portable espresso machines to the off-limits list. Damn you old world power.

But just as well, as there

are lots of other new gadgets that need our attention.

I recently attended Canadian Tire's press event, highlighting some of its new automotive products for the upcoming spring season. A lot of car cleaning and mancave garage type stuff. A lot of electronic stuff.

My favourite garage/tool

item is the Mastercraft Pitcart — a huge toolbox on wheels worthy of a NASCAR team.

But nothing says gadget like an electronic gadget. Electronic gadgets that further connectivity, safety, navigation, entertainment, etc., are exploding in num-

ber these days.
Mandi Paquin-Johnson,
Canadian Tire's car category buyer, told us that the Yada Digital Baby Camera/Monitor is one of the bigger electronic gadget hits over the last year. The monitor mounts on the front dash, so you never have to swivel your head to see how junior's doing in the backseat. "Everyone who's tried one loves it," says Paquin-John-

Because the electronic industry moves faster than the automotive industry, I don't think there will ever be a shortage of such new gadgets that people want to incorporate into their driving experiences. This should ensure that the gadget tradition would continue to thrive, even though cars no longer come from the factory, as the Model T once did, "naked as a baby."

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Fuel for thought: are lower sulphur levels really a win-win situation?

Driving Force. Cleaner gas means more steps during the refining process, which can get costly

JIL MCINTOSH

Canadians pump more than 200 million litres of fuel into their vehicles every day, and drive a combined 325 billion kilometres each year. But compared to 20 years ago, smog-forming emissions have dropped by 90 per cent, primarily due to more efficient vehicles and cleaner fuels.

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"Fuels have much less sulphur in them today," says Peter Boag, president of the Canadian Fuels Association.

"This has an impact on the effectiveness and efficiency of the vehicle's emissions control systems."

Sulphur is a chemical that's found naturally in

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"Fuels have much less sulphur in them these days."

Peter Boag, president of Canadian Fuel Association.

Association.
On how much fuel has changed over the years, thus affecting price.

crude petroleum. Before it's refined, crude contains some 15,000 to 18,000 parts per million (ppm) of sulphur. In the past, gasoline could still contain as much as 1,000 ppm, and in the early 1990s, Canada's average sulphur content, at 350 ppm, was one of the highest worldwide.

Starting in 2003, government regulations reduced the allowable amount to 150 ppm, with a second phase two years later further reducing it to 30 ppm.

"Today, gasoline has only three ppm on average of sulphur," Boag says. "And prior to 2007, the standard for diesel was 500 ppm, and it's now at 15 ppm. That's for onroad diesel, off-road, rail, and marine. All diesel now produced is what we call ultralow-sulphur diesel, or ULSD.

low-sulphur diesel, or ULSD.

"When you look at the growth of the heavy-duty vehicle segment over the last 10 to 15 years, that (sulphur) reduction has been an important part of emissions performance. ULSD has enabled new particulate filters that eliminate particulate matter, which is the visible pollutant (in diesel exhaust)," Boag says.

Removing sulphur from gasoline doesn't affect engine performance and is strictly about the vehicle's emissions and exhaust treatment systems.

But while low-sulphur fuels may seem like a win-win, they aren't without their challenges. It's expensive to take sulphur out of crude during refining, which raises the price of production. It also requires more steps, which requires more energy. While there was a net improvement in air qual-

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- Billion dollar improvements. From 2002 to 2010, Canada's refining industry spent approximately \$5 billion in upgrades to achieve reduced sulphur levels.
- A brief history. Gasoline also used to contain lead, which was originally added to fuel in the 1920s to improve engine performance. Leaded gas was phased out starting in the 1970s, primarily because it wasn't compatible with new emissions control equipment on cars, and was banned in Canada in 1990.

ity linked to the removal of sulphur in fuels, there was also a rise in greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions at the refineries from the extra energy required to remove it.





BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

↑ Aries

March 21 - April 20

You have been extremely active mentally of late and your mind could probably use a rest. Try to treat yourself more gently over the next 24 hours. Even an Aries needs a break once in a while.

Taurus April 21 - May 21

The most important thing now is that you don't change your aims unless you are certain it's the right thing to do. It is better to finish what you started, even if your passion for it is not what it once was.

II Gemini May 22 - June 21

Mercury, your ruler, joins forces with Neptune, planet of imagination, so you are sure to come up with some ideas. Whether they can do something for you remains to be seen. Never stop thinking.

9 Cancer June 22 - July 23

Watch what you say today because you don't want to let slip information that others have no right to know — and which they can use against you. Be wary of people who try to talk to you about personal matters.

Ω Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

Your judgment could be a bit off target today, so be careful if someone approaches you with a plan to make money. It could be they are genuine but unless you are sure it might be wise to give it a miss.

W Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Even if you are the sort of Virgo who is good at disguising feelings, you will still be a bit emotional today. Remember, it's not that others have upset you which matters but how you choose to react.

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

If you act on impulse today, you could make a serious mistake. Then you will have to take foolish risks to try to cover up that mistake and before you know it, everything will be falling apart. Don't do it!

M Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You will get plenty of advice from well-meaning people today, but deep down you already know what needs to be done. Stop wasting time discussing the issue and start doing the things that will change your life.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Some things are important and some things are not. Do you know which is which? No matter how much your career means to you, it is your home life you need to focus on over the next few days.

17 Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

You will be rather controversial in some of the things you say over the next 24 hours, so don't be surprised if people get upset. Be that as it may, you have a duty to tell the truth as you see it.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

You may be having second thoughts about a project of some kind but if you pull out now you could lose a lot of money. Can you afford it? Also, can you afford what it might do to your reputation?

H Pisces

Neptune, your ruling planet, is strong in your chart today, which means you know exactly what needs to be done. But do you have the courage to do it? If you do you will make rapid progress. SALLY BROMPTON

- 5. Pelletier's skating partner

- 17. Designer Ms. Wang

- mascot: 2 wds.
- 24. Carnivore's craving
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- 31. Dotted-line endorser

- 42. "The Mary Tyler Moore Show"

- 56. Director Mr. Lee
- 57. Air freshener brand

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- 1. Dot-__ (Web businesses)
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- 19. Smallest litter puppies

- 29. Jazz singer Ms. Fitzgerald
- 33. Gumbo ingredient
- 37. Foodie

- spin-off

- 61. New Brunswick, e.g.: 2 wds.
- 66. Jai __ (Court game)
- 67. Nons opposites
- 69. Allied beachhead site in Italy
- 72. Country singer Ms. Rimes

Feb. 20 - March 20

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- 16. Utilize a crane
- __fever (Ailed)

- 47. Consequently
- 53. Mr. Clapton
- 59. Toronto's Phillips Square

- 70. Confined

74. Quiz

- 1. Caesar's 104
- 2. Seven days: 2 wds.

- 9. Calf-length pant
- 15. Do needlework

- 20. Mick E. Moose is this team's
- 23. Maple Leafs great Mr. Clark
- 25. Energy unit
- 35. Long times
- 38. Australian rock group
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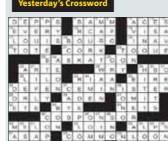
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- 50. Suffix with 'Ball'
- 52. Mount __ (Sacred mountain in China)
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- 63. 'Christ' suffix (Some religious
- people) 64. Seasickness, de mer
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4. "__ by Me" (1986)
5. Dubstep artist whose real name

7. Offensive __ (Football position)

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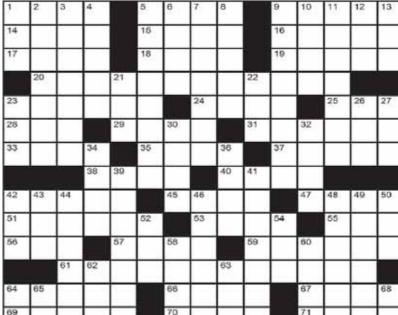
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- 30. Sports defeat
- 42. Cape Town's home [acronym]

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48. Find new lodgings for

- 49. Some sauces
- 58. Severus __ ('Harry Potter'
- 62. Identical



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6. Take _ __ (Rest)

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12. After-Q queue

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